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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES: THEATER OF THE DEAF

FOR CU/EE

1. EMBASSY RECEIVED LETTER FROM VLADIMIR FUFAYEV, PRESIDENT OF THE ALL-RUSSIAN SOCIETY FOR THE DEAF, ASKING OUR ASSISTANCE IN CLEARING UP MATTER OF RETURN VISIT BY SOVIET ACTOR IN RESPONSE BRAGG VISIT HERE LAST DECEMBER.

2. ACCORDING TO FUFAYEV LETTER, RETURN VISIT BY SOVIET ACTOR SLIPTCHENKO WAS TO TAKE PLACE JUNE-JULY BUT SOCIETY OF DEAF ASKED FOR POSTPONEMENT UNTIL AUGUST-SEPTEMBER. DIRECTOR NATIONAL THEATER DEAF, HAYS, REPLIED INSISTING THAT ORIGINAL DATES BE OBSERVED LEST EXCHANGE RUN RISK OF COLLAPSE. FUFAYEV'S LETTER EXPRESSED ASTONISHMENT AT THIS POSITION AND ASKED FOR OUR MEDIATORY HELP.

3. SUGGEST DEPARTMENT CONTACT HAYS AND DETERMINE REASONS FOR HIS POSITION. FYI: IT MIGHT BE HELPFUL POINT OUT HAYS THAT SOVIET ORGANIZATIONS DO NOT HAVE FULL AND FINAL CONTROL OVER FOREIGN TRAVEL THEIR MEMBERS AND POSTPONEMENT MAY BE FOR REASONS BEYOND CONTROL OF ALL-RUSSIAN SOCIETY FOR DEAF. SOCIETY ALLEGED IN TELECON THAT PROBLEMS WITH SLIPTCHENKO'S DOCUMENTS REASON FOR DELAY. END FYI.

4. EMBASSY WILLING CONVEY MESSAGE FROM HAYS IN INTERESTS OF AMITY AND EXPEDITION. PLEASE ADVISE.

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